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Dismantling and Transfer of Equipment

- It is now clear that the SMV is liquidating the main Lobau warehouse and that the Konti-Lager at Lobau will be retained. * Large quantities of materials, including eight carloads of hair felt, have been transferred from the main Lobau warehouse, and one carlead of iron construction parts, weighing a total of 14,120 kilograms, from the Voesendorf refinery to the Konti-Lager. Fifty tons of oscerity a reserve supply which has been held in the main Lobau warehouse for some time, have been transferred to the SMV warehouse at Wifo-Lobau.
- 2. SMV officials have directed that all equipment and materials removed from AEG-Union warehouses and other installations in Stadlau, Vienna XXII, after 28 November 1949 will be sent to Prottes in the Matzen oil field area, where large storage facilities have been established.**
- 3. Last week, USIA delivered to the SMV four carloads of various sizes of pipe, which it allegedly had imported from Eastern Germany. Contrary to USIA's usual shipping procedures, Juschwneschtrans did not handle this transfer. SMV employees noted with some surprise that MITTELMANN, SMV purchasing official, burned all documents pertaining to this pipe shipment when it was received.***

Import Shipments

- 4. During the past week the SMV received the following import shipments from the Soviet Union, Hungary, and Italy:
 - 5 carloads of iron pipe from the Karl Liebknecht firm, Dneprovsk ****, and
 - 3 carloads of iron pipe from the Andreyeva metallurgical plent, Taganrog, USSR.

Total weight of these shipments was 162,930 kilograms.

- 1 tank car containing 9,850 kilograms of hydrochloric acid from Budapest, Hungary ****
- 14 carloads containing 5,040 sacks of barite, weighing a total of 258,890 kilograms, from the Salbar Company, Lecco, Italy.

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5. During the week of 21 November 1949 the SMV Purchasing Office made cash payments for the following purchases:

Fin	Item Furchased	· Payment in Schillings
Hons Falleczek	Bearing materials	11,815.50
"Chewia" Chemikalien G.m.b.H.	Hydrochloric acid	7,602.55
Ariadue Draht-u. Kabelwerke A.G	. Cable	14,377.14
USI.	Cable	1,161.89
Donau Chemie A.G.	Back payment	1,701.45
Cthmar Graf Aichelburg Vorm Lederer & Nessenyi	Material for fire bricks	28,4,58.00
"Canada" Tiefbohrgeräte und Maschinenfabrik Gam.b.H.	Deep drilling equipment	56,912.00
K. J. Baldauf	Building material	39,438 .77
Traunstein-Vertrieb******	Fendulum bearings	2,050,00
Brixlegg Montanwerke G.m.b.H.	Barite	5,307,00
Alpine Montangesellschaft	Steel	17,559.32
Uher & Co.	Measuring Instruments	17,609,10
Guido Rütgers	Impregnating work	3,141.60
Richard Kress	Cavnas coverings	6,431.92
Soveral Vienna firms	Maintenance expenses and miscellaneous purchases	8,394.81

- 7. Recently Dipl. Ing. Egon NEUMANN, Vienna III, Landstrasse Haupstrasse 9/22 furnished the SMV with 25 sets of General Motors injection nozzles, which he had procured from Germany. The SMV Purchasing Office is now trying to purchase black market dollars to pay NEUMANN's bill of \$250.

SMV Personnel

8. In anticipation of forthcoming shop councilor elections, SMV Furchasing Office employees elected a committee on 28 November 1949 from three lists of candidates. The first list contained names of persons who have no political affiliations, the second list included one Communist, and the third Communist Party members only. Communist employees in the SMV Purchasing Office apparently did not support their fellow Party members, because 18 out of 20 candidates were chosen from the first list, one Communist from the second and only one Party member from the third.

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9. MITTELMANN, SMV purchasing official, has informed his colleagues that he is preparing to return to the Soviet Union in the very near future. In recent weeks he has made numerous purchases from which he derives a commission averaging five to eight percent per purchase.

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25X1X Comment: According to a copy of an original SMV document, MITTELMANN, not MITELMAN, is the correct spelling.

25X1X a steel plant of that name has been reported.

25X1X Comment: This shipment of hydrochloric acid probably came from Hungaria 25X1A 25X1A

25X1X Convert: reported that Traunstein-Vertrieb is a cover name for a group of blackmarketeers who specialize in the sale of ball bearings smuggled from Germany.

Comment: The SMV probably purchased window glass from the USIA-controlled Erste Oesterreichische Maschinglasindustrie A.G., Brunn am Gebirge.